IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Naoki INOUE

Group Art Unit: 2182

Serial No.: 09/625,967

Examiner: Eron J. Sorrell

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EXPANSION DEVICE CONNECTED TO INFORMATION DEVICE TO THEREBY EXPAND THE FUNCTIONS THEREOF

Attorney Docket No.: 000929 Customer Number:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

July 19, 2004

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 18, 2004 for two months from May 18, 2004 to July 18, 2004 (July 18 was a Sunday).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866 for the amount of \$420.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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